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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2013-0017]

QAI Laboratories, Ltd. Applications for Expansion of Recognition

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this notice, OSHA announces the applications of QAI Laboratories, Ltd., for expansion of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the agency's preliminary finding to grant the applications.

DATES: Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before **[INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments by any of the following methods:

Electronically: You may submit comments and attachments electronically at <https://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

Facsimile: If your comments, including attachments, are not longer than 10 pages, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648.

Mail, hand delivery, express mail, messenger, or courier service: When using this method, you must submit a copy of your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. OSHA-2013-0017, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3653, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington,

DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2350. OSHA's TTY number is (877) 889-5627. **Please note:** While OSHA's docket office is continuing to accept and process submissions by regular mail, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the docket office is closed to the public and not able to receive submissions to the rulemaking record by express delivery, hand delivery, and messenger service.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and OSHA docket number (OSHA-2013-0017). OSHA places comments and other materials, including any personal information, in the public docket without revision, and these materials will be available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, the agency cautions commenters about submitting statements they do not want made available to the public, or submitting comments that contain personal information (either about themselves or others) such as Social Security numbers, birth dates, and medical data.

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> or the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. All documents in the docket (including this *Federal Register* notice) are listed in the <https://www.regulations.gov> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through the website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office.

Extension of comment period: Submit requests for an extension of the comment period on or before **[INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]** to the Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical Support and Emergency Management,

Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-3653, Washington, DC 20210, or by fax to (202) 693-1644.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information regarding this notice is available from the following sources:

Press inquiries: Contact Mr. Frank Meilinger, Director, OSHA Office of Communications, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone: (202) 693-1999; email: meilinger.francis2@dol.gov.

General and technical information: Contact Mr. Kevin Robinson, Director, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical Support and Emergency Management, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, phone: (202) 693-2110 or email: robinson.kevin@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Notice of the Applications for Expansion

OSHA is providing notice that QAI Laboratories, Ltd. (QAI), is applying for expansion of recognition as a NRTL. QAI requests the addition of one test standard to the NRTL scope of recognition.

OSHA recognition of a NRTL signifies that the organization meets the requirements specified in 29 CFR 1910.7. Recognition is an acknowledgment that the organization can perform independent safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within the scope of recognition. Each NRTL's scope of recognition includes (1) the type of products the NRTL may test, with each type specified by the applicable test standard; and (2) the recognized site(s) that has/have the technical capability to perform the product-testing and product-certification activities for test standards within the NRTL's

scope. Recognition is not a delegation or grant of government authority; however, recognition enables employers to use products approved by the NRTL to meet OSHA standards that require product testing and certification.

The agency processes applications by a NRTL for initial recognition and for an expansion or renewal of this recognition, following requirements in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7. This appendix requires that the agency publish two notices in the *Federal Register* in processing an application. In the first notice, OSHA announces the application and provides a preliminary finding. In the second notice, the agency provides the final decision on the application. These notices set forth the NRTL's scope of recognition or modifications of that scope. OSHA maintains an informational webpage for each NRTL, including QAI, which details the NRTL's scope of recognition. These pages are available from the OSHA website at <http://www.osha.gov/dts/otpc/nrtl/index.html>.

QAI currently has two facilities (sites) recognized by OSHA for product testing and certification, with headquarters located at: QAI Laboratories, Ltd., 3980 North Fraser Way, Burnaby, BC, Canada, V5J 5K5. A complete list of QAI's scope of recognition is available at <https://www.osha.gov/dts/otpc/nrtl/qai.html>.

II. General Background on the Applications

QAI submitted three applications, one dated October 16, 2017 (OSHA-2013-0017-0015), to expand recognition to include seventeen additional test standards. This application was amended on June 12, 2019 (OSHA-2013-0017-0016) to remove some standards from the original request and add others. This revised application was amended again on February 11, 2020 (OSHA-2013-0017-0017) to request twenty-one additional standards to be added to QAI's NRTL scope of recognition. OSHA staff

performed a detailed analysis of the application packet and reviewed other pertinent information. OSHA did not perform any on-site reviews in relation to this application.

Table 1 lists the appropriate test standard found in QAI's application to expand for testing and certification of products under the NRTL Program.

Table 1
Proposed List of Appropriate Test Standards for Inclusion in
QAI's NRTL Scope of Recognition

Test Standard	Test Standard Title
UL 1740	Standard for Robots and Robotic Equipment
UL 22	Standard for Amusement and Gaming Machines
UL 73	Standard for Motor-Operated Appliances
UL 499	Standard for Electric Heating Machines
UL 506	Standard for Specialty Transformers
UL 676	Standard for Underwater Luminaires and Submersible Junction Boxes
UL 1838	Standard for Low Voltage Landscape Lighting Systems
UL 2202	Standard for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging System Equipment
UL 2388	Standard for Flexible Lighting Products
UL 5085-1	Low Voltage Transformers – Part 1: General Requirements
UL 5085-2	Low Voltage Transformers – Part 2: General Purpose Transformers
UL 5085-3	Low Voltage Transformers – Part 3: Class 2 and Class 3 Transformers
UL 8752	Organic Light Emitting Diode (OLED) Panels
UL 60950-22	Information Technology Equipment – Safety – Part 22: Equipment to be Installed Outdoors
UL 61010-2-010	Electrical Equipment Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-010: Particular Requirements for Laboratory Equipment for the Heating of Materials
UL 61010-2-020	Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-020: Particular Requirements for Laboratory Equipment for Laboratory Centrifuges
UL 61010-2-081	Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-081: Particular Requirements for Laboratory Equipment for Automatic and Semi-Automatic Equipment for Analysis and Other Purposes
UL 61010-2-091	Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-091: Particular Requirements for Laboratory Equipment for Cabinet X-Ray Systems

Test Standard	Test Standard Title
UL 61010-2-101	Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-101: Particular Requirements for In Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) Medical Equipment
UL 62368-1	Audio/Video, Information and Communication Technology Equipment – Part 1: Safety Requirements
ASME A17.5-2014	Elevator and Escalator Electrical Equipment

III. Preliminary Findings on the Applications

QAI submitted acceptable applications for expansion of recognition. OSHA’s review of the application file, and pertinent documentation, indicates QAI can meet the requirements prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7 for expanding recognition to include the addition of these twenty-one test standards for NRTL testing and certification listed above. This preliminary finding does not constitute an interim or temporary approval of QAI’s applications.

OSHA welcomes public comment as to whether QAI meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for expansion of recognition as a NRTL. Comments should consist of pertinent written documents and exhibits. Commenters needing more time to comment must submit a request in writing, stating the reasons for the request. Commenters must submit the written request for an extension by the due date for comments. OSHA will limit any extension to 10 days unless the requester justifies a longer period. OSHA may deny a request for an extension if the request is not adequately justified. To obtain or review copies of the exhibits identified in this notice, as well as comments submitted to the docket, contact the Docket Office at the above address. These materials also are available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> under Docket No. OSHA-2013-0017.

OSHA staff will review all comments to the docket submitted in a timely manner. After addressing the issues raised by these comments, the agency will make a

recommendation to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health whether to grant QAI's applications for expansion of recognition. The Assistant Secretary will make the final decision on granting the applications. In making this decision, the Assistant Secretary may undertake other proceedings prescribed in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7.

OSHA will publish a public notice of the final decision in the *Federal Register*.

IV. Authority and Signature

Loren Sweatt, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, authorized the preparation of this notice. Accordingly, the agency is issuing this notice pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 657(g)(2), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 1-2012 (77 FR 3912, Jan. 25, 2012), and 29 CFR 1910.7.

Signed at Washington, DC, on September 15, 2020.

Loren Sweatt,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.